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REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED **Intelligence Brief**

Rideau St/Sussex Dr

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Summary

The Freedom Convoy is a spontaneous grass roots demonstration. The goals of this demo are for Canada to “cease all mandates”; no vaccine passports, no Covid restrictions at the border and a definite end to Canada’s new vaccinate mandate on cross-border truckers.

The REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED has been tasked with providing an overall intelligence assessment of the intersection of Rideau St / Sussex Dr. In preparing this assessment, RE has consulted with Insp. Lucas (OPS Incident Commander NCRCC), Ottawa Police Emergency Service Unit, Gatineau Police and Surete du Quebec.

This intersection has been described as a gathering spot with a “party” like atmosphere. A group called REDACTED consistently congregates at this location. The REDACTED is an identifiable group with their motorcycle jackets. Of all the different the groups present they are by far the most easily identified. The REDACTED group command post is located at the Zibi project in Gatineau, Quebec. Gatineau Police have reported that the command post has approximately 100 people at the site 24/7 with an additional 200 members that rotate in and out daily

Emergency Services Unit (OPS)

Within the intersection of Rideau St/ Sussex Dr, members of the Ottawa Police Emergency Service Unit have identified the following:

1. There is currently a vehicle that has been chained to a hydro pole.
2. Members of the group "REDAC" have expressed vocally to ESU that if any of their vehicles are towed, they will all show up in mass to stop police.
3. The "REDAC" group make use of CB radios/walkie talkies and cell phones to communicate.
4. To secure/hold, Rideau St/ Sussex Dr a large containment area of all four cardinal points would need to be established, requiring a vast amount of police resources
5. There is potential for individuals who would barricade themselves in their vehicles with any prompt of police action

Vehicles located in the vicinity of Rideau St/ Sussex Dr

Within this intersection members of the "REDAC" group have been seen inside vehicles. It is unknown if the owners of the vehicles belong to group members. On February 8th, 2022, the Ottawa Fire Department attempted to attend the Chateau Laurier for a call for service but was blocked by a yellow tractor with REDACTED REDACTED

Officer Safety

On February 6th, 2022 the Ottawa Police attended the REDACTED while doing so participants in the "Convoy Demonstration" immediately started communicating on "RED" chat App to attend to assist the demonstrators on site. Approx 40 vehicles showed up in a near by parking lot.

Conclusion

The Ottawa Police REDACT REDACTED REDACT assess the intersection of Rideau St/ Sussex Dr as a high area of risk. This risk is based on the group known "REDAC" who is operationally organized and well represented within that intersection. Not only is this identifiable a group a possible a security risk but the mere fact that demonstrators are now communicating with each for back up when police intervention commences.